

7 October 1986

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS
FROM : Chief, Vienna Bureau
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report - Austria Bureau - September 1986

I. GENERAL

1. The CSCE conference will be held in Vienna starting 4 November. The duration of the conference is open-ended, the previous one in Madrid lasting approximately three years. It is assumed that the bureau will be involved in some support for the conference, both from its own sources and acting as an intermediary for ad hoc requests and services. At this point, the impact on the bureau is seen mostly in the dwindling number of rental properties available as hundreds of delegates arrived in Vienna in search of good housing.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. In anticipation of a possible vacancy in its Hungarian section, the bureau had two Hungarian monitor-candidates tested by PMU during the month. The bureau also plans to advertise in Israel and have Tel Aviv bureau test suitable candidates, if any. The bureau has also started looking for a Ukrainian/Russian monitor candidate, in anticipation of the retirement of long-time bureau employee [] in the summer of 1987.

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2. Total bureau wordage processed and filed using the VLAN constituted 20.5 percent of the bureau's total wordage output during the month, with press agency wordage rising from the 7,000-word mark in August to 42,980 words in September, 27 percent of all English-language press agency wordage filed by the bureau.

3. Anticipating the installation of one computer in each of the four bureau radio monitoring units in October, monitors in the sections have started "looking over the shoulders" of experienced VLAN users and have actually started producing items for wirefiling using any free workstations they can find. Enthusiasm among these sections is generally high, and they are eagerly awaiting the arrival and installation of their own PC workstations.

B. Communications

1. All approvals for the establishment of a new, 300 baud primary communications path for the bureau were received 3 October. After the discovery by the bureau's Chief Engineer that the local PTT changes for the landline between the bureau and the embassy included multi-baud rate modems, C/ESG gave his approval to the bureau to use the PTT modems rather than await delivery of modems from HQ. The result of this decision is that the new commo path is likely to become operational by the end of October, if not sooner.

2. Meanwhile, the existing state circuit continued to be plagued with outages and poor quality performance. Outages came to 113 hours, 52 minutes (almost 5 days). At one point, the large size of the queue of items awaiting delivery to the bureau [] caused by a series of outages over the course of a week, required that embassy TCU print traffic for the bureau at the embassy and the copy hand delivered to the bureau. On the brighter side, all embassy communications, and not just those of the bureau, were hard hit by the poor performance of the commo link between here and Washington.

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3. Because of illnesses among communications section personnel, the bureau was forced to mail items to London Bureau, totaling approximately 60,000 words, for punching there. Our thanks were conveyed to LD for its timely assistance in helping clear a backlog of items that had mounted to approximately 2 weeks from editor sign off to commo punching.

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C. Cruising

MOD cruiser [] and trainee [] arrived late in the month to conduct a two-week cruising survey of the bureau's Ku-band satellite antenna. They are working in the newly wired and outfitted cruising room in the third floor Tower Room of the bureau.

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D. Technical

1. The bureau's UHF/VHF antennas were refurbished during the month with concrete results. The reception of some FM stations such as Zagreb improved considerably, and some previously unheard stations were received for the first time, including Bucharest 1 and 2 and Budapest TV Channel 2. Fortunately, the antenna upgrade coincided with the visit of two cruisers from MOD who were able to help check out the new antennas.

2. The air conditioning unit in the Brindisi van broke down during the month, forcing a discontinuation of our recordings of Albanian TV. Every effort is being made to get the van operational before the beginning of the Albanian Communist Party Congress in early November.

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The Belgrade TV project is on hold for several weeks while the administrative details of hiring a new contractor can be worked out. No videotapes are being made meanwhile.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

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1. There were four promotions during the month: trainee Bulgarian monitor [] was promoted out of trainee status; [] and [] were given the FBN-11 grade to go along with their new Shift Supervisor duties; and senior technician [] was promoted to FBN-10. The latter promotion was of particular significance in that it represents the fruit of a long struggle by the bureau and Operations Group to obtain the FBN-10 grade for a technician with exceptional skills and background, working in the more sophisticated technological environment of today's automated and satellite oriented bureaus.

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2. PMCD approved a new wagescale for the bureau, with considerable increases averaging about 10 percent. The staff was pleasantly surprised that the new scale is retroactive to last January.

IV. VISITS

The Director of Finance visited the bureau on 17 September for an orientation briefing. MODers [] arrived 26 September to conduct a survey; and the Deputy Director, Personnel took time out of her vacation in Austria to see the bureau and discuss some classification and compensation issues.

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Chief, Austrian Bureau

cc: Chief, FBIS London Bureau

Attachments:

Production Report
Staff Personnel Report
Non-Staff Personnel Report

Austrian Bureau Production Report for September 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	637,590
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	21,690
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,325

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	12,275	15,015	322.91
(minutes or issues per week)	min.	min.	issues

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
(publishable words per month)

ALBANIA			
TIRANA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
ALBANIAN	1,060		
TIRANA ATA IN			
ENGLISH		8,460	
TIRANA BASHKIMI IN			
ALBANIAN			0
TIRANA DRITA IN			
ALBANIAN			1,160
TIRANA FUNA IN			
ALBANIAN			0
TIRANA RRUGA E PARTISE IN			
ALBANIAN			250
TIRANA ZERI I POPULLIT IN			
ALBANIAN			6,610
TIRANA ZERI I RINISE IN			
ALBANIAN			0
AUSTRIA			
VIENNA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
GERMAN	3,710		
VIENNA ORF TELETEXT IN			
GERMAN	2,410		
VIENNA TELEVISION SERVICE IN			
GERMAN	2,640		
VIENNA ARBEITER ZEITUNG IN			
GERMAN			1,030
VIENNA BASTA IN			
GERMAN			0
VIENNA DIE PRESSE IN			
GERMAN			5,640
VIENNA FALTER IN			
GERMAN			0

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
VIENNA KURIER IN GERMAN			1,640
VIENNA NEUE KRONEN ZEITUNG IN GERMAN			340
VIENNA PROFIL IN GERMAN			0
VIENNA VOLKSSTIMME IN GERMAN			170
VIENNA WIENER ZEITUNG IN GERMAN			4,550
BULGARIA			
SOFIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN BULGARIAN	11,220		
SOFIA BTA IN ENGLISH		26,070	
SOFIA ANTENI IN BULGARIAN			0
SOFIA LITERATUREN FRONT IN BULGARIAN			0
SOFIA NARODNA ARMIYA IN BULGARIAN			3,560
SOFIA NARODNA MLADZHZH IN BULGARIAN			1,580
SOFIA NOVO VREME IN BULGARIAN			0
SOFIA OTECHESTVEN FRONT IN BULGARIAN			2,910
SOFIA POGLED IN BULGARIAN			0
SOFIA RABOTNICHESKO DELO IN BULGARIAN			26,320
SOFIA TRUD IN BULGARIAN			3,880
SOFIA ZEMEDEL'SKO ZNAME IN BULGARIAN			1,230
CHINA			
BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN ALBANIAN	0		
BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN SERBO-CROATIAN	0		
CZECHOSLOVAKIA			
PRAGUE TELEVISION SERVICE IN CZECH AND SLOVAK	1,870		
PRAGUE LIDOVA DEMOKRACIE IN CZECH			400

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PRAGUE MLADA FRONTA IN CZECH			160
PRAGUE NOVA MYSL IN CZECH			0
PRAGUE PRACE IN CZECH			4,110
PRAGUE RUDE PRAVO IN CZECH			46,340
PRAGUE TRIBUNA IN CZECH			2,620
PRAGUE VECERNI PRAHA IN CZECH			0
PRAGUE ZEMEDELSKE NOVINY IN CZECH			740
BRATISLAVA PRAVDA IN SLOVAK			26,410
BRATISLAVA ROLNICKE NOVINY IN SLOVAK			540
BRATISLAVA SMENA IN SLOVAK			0
BRATISLAVA VECERNIK IN SLOVAK			0
FRANCE PARIS AFP IN ENGLISH		53,140	
GDR EAST BERLIN BERLINER ZEITUNG IN GERMAN			340
EAST BERLIN DER MORGEN IN GERMAN			0
EAST BERLIN EINHEIT IN GERMAN			1,160
EAST BERLIN HORIZONT IN GERMAN			0
EAST BERLIN NATIONAL ZEITUNG IN GERMAN			0
EAST BERLIN NEUE ZEIT IN GERMAN			0
EAST BERLIN NEUES DEUTSCHLAND IN GERMAN			33,050
HUNGARY BUDAPEST TELEVISION SERVICE IN HUNGARIAN	230		
BUDAPEST MAGYAR HIRLAP IN HUNGARIAN			5,010

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BUDAPEST MAGYAR NEMZET IN HUNGARIAN			3,160
BUDAPEST MAGYARORSZAG IN HUNGARIAN			100
BUDAPEST NEPSZABADSAG IN HUNGARIAN			22,920
BUDAPEST NEPSZAVA IN HUNGARIAN			10,670
BUDAPEST PARTELET IN HUNGARIAN			7,400
BUDAPEST TARSADALMI SZEMLE IN HUNGARIAN			0
ITALY			
ROME ANSA IN ENGLISH		20,390	
POLAND			
PARIS ZNAKI CZASU IN POLISH			3,400
WARSAW KULTURA IN POLISH			3,730
WARSAW NOWE DROGI IN POLISH			0
WARSAW POLITYKA IN POLISH			9,070
WARSAW PRZEGLAD KATOLICKI IN POLISH			3,000
WARSAW RZECZPOSPOLITA IN POLISH			8,230
WARSAW RZECZYWISTOC IN POLISH			1,880
WARSAW SLOWO POWSZECHNE IN POLISH			3,860
WARSAW SZTANDAR MLODYCH IN POLISH			1,090
WARSAW TRYBUNA LUDU IN POLISH			26,780
WARSAW ZOLNIERZ WOLNOSCI IN POLISH			7,680
WARSAW ZYCIE PARTII IN POLISH			0
WARSAW ZYCIE WARSZAWY IN POLISH			4,890
KRAKOW TYGODNIK POWSZECHNY IN POLISH			1,900
ROMANIA			
BUCHAREST DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ROMANIAN		29,990	

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
BUCHAREST AGERPRES IN ENGLISH		50,800	
BUCHAREST AGERPRES IN FRENCH		0	
BUCHAREST ERA SOCIALISTA IN ROMANIAN			0
BUCHAREST LUMEA IN ROMANIAN			190
BUCHAREST ROMANIA LIBERA IN ROMANIAN			0
BUCHAREST SCINTEIA IN ROMANIAN			13,380
USSR			
MOSCOW IN ALBANIAN TO ALBANIA	0		
MOSCOW IN BULGARIAN TO BULGARIA	0		
MOSCOW IN MACEDONIAN TO YUGOSLAVIA	0		
MOSCOW IN ROMANIAN TO ROMANIA	0		
MOSCOW IN SLOVENE TO YUGOSLAVIA	0		
MOSCOW ISTORIYA SSSR IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW KOMMUNIST IN RUSSIAN			31,540
MOSCOW KOMMUNIST VOORUZHENNYKH SIL IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW MEZHDUNARODNAYA ZHIZN IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW MIROVAYA EKONOMIKA I MEZHDUNARODNYYE OTNOSHENIYA IN RUSSIAN			11,700
MOSCOW MOSKOVSKAYA PRAVDA IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW OBNCHESTVENNYYE NAUKI IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW PARTIYNAYA ZHIZN IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW PLANOVYE KHOZYAYSTVO IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW POLITICHESKOYE SAMOOBRAZOVANIYE IN RUSSIAN			6,540
MOSCOW PROBLEMY DALNEGO VOSTOKA IN RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW PROBLEMY MIRA I SOTSIALIZMA IN RUSSIAN			5,540

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MOSCOW RABOCHIY KLAS I SOVREMENNY			
MIR IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW SOTSIOLOGICHESKIYE			
ISSLEDOVANIYA IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW SSHA: EKONOMIKA, POLITIKA,			
IDEOLOGIYA IN			
RUSSIAN			6,990
MOSCOW VOPROSY EKONOMIKI IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW VOPROSY FILOSOFII IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW VOPROSY ISTORII IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW VOPROSY ISTORII KPSS IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW VOYENNO-ISTORICHESKIY			
ZHURNAL IN			
RUSSIAN			0
MOSCOW ZHURNALIST IN			
RUSSIAN			0
KIEV PRAVDA UKRAINY IN			
RUSSIAN			19,420
KIEV RADYANSKA UKRAINA IN			
UKRAINIAN			0
YUGOSLAVIA			
BELGRADE DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN	8,300		
PRISTINA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
ALBANIAN	640		
PRISTINA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN	0		
BELGRADE TELEVISION SERVICE IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN	150		
BELGRADE TANJUG DOMESTIC SERVICE IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN		0	
BELGRADE TANJUG IN			
ENGLISH		0	
BELGRADE BORBA IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN			12,370
BELGRADE KOMUNIST IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN			1,100
BELGRADE NARODNA ARMIJA IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN			0
BELGRADE NIN IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN			0
BELGRADE POLITIKA IN			
SERBO-CROATIAN			3,490

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
BELGRADE SOCIALIZAM IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0
LJUBLJANA DELO IN SLOVENE			1,180
NOVI SAD DNEVNIK IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0
PRISTINA RILINDJA IN ALBANIAN			1,280
SARAJEVO OSLOBODJENJE IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0
SKOPJE NOVA MAKEDONIJA IN MACEDONIAN			280
TITOGRAĐ POBJEDA IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0
ZAGREB DANAS IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0
ZAGREB VJESNIK IN SERBO-CROATIAN			0